

U.S. Geological Survey

GCP Working Group Update

SWAMP Meeting

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Topics

- Review of Previous Activities
- Consolidated Strategy for GCP Selection
- Candidate Base Imagery and Positional Information
- Remaining Tasks and Next Steps

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Previous Activities

- Requirements Definition
- GCP Characteristics
- Strategy Convergence

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Consolidated Strategy for GCP Selection

- Orbital Track & Corridor-based GCPs
- Site and Region-based GCPs

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Candidate Base Imagery & Positional Information

■ Base Imagery for Image Chips

- USGS Digital Orthophoto Quads (DOQ)
- Other Cadastral Orthophotos
- NIMA Controlled Image Base (CIB) Imagery (SPOT)
- Landsat 7 ETM+
- ASTER
- Landsat TM (MSS)

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Candidate Base Imagery & Positional Information (cont.)

■ Positional Information Sources

- USGS Control Point Data Bases
- USGS DOQs
- USGS 1:24,000 Scale Maps
- GPS Measurements
- NIMA Control Point Data Bases
- NIMA CIBs
- 1:50,000 or Larger Scale Maps (NIMA, Foreign)

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Remaining Tasks

- Complete the identification & selection of physical ground features
 - Straightforward for U.S. GCPs
 - More complicated for foreign GCPs
- Finish identifying & obtain best imagery for creating image chips
 - Again, U.S. easier than foreign areas
 - Access & funding issues likely most difficult
- Finish identifying & obtain best positional information for GCPs
- Create the GCP chips

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Next Steps

- Convene a meeting of the Working Group in the near future
 - Select ground features, imagery, & positional information of U.S. GCPs
 - Assess the foreign GCP situation & define best approaches for meeting requirements
 - Prepare proposal, with roles & responsibilities defined & costs estimated, for producing the U.S. GCPs and for implementing the defined foreign GCP approach(es)
- In the meantime, USGS/LPDAAC will complete assessment of existence & availability of necessary maps, ground control point data bases, browse imagery, & chip imagery, particularly for foreign areas

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Next Steps (cont.)

- USGS/LPDAAC also will pursue development of necessary agreements with NIMA to allow use of NIMA imagery & information in GCP development